

Neighbors Bulletin



NYCP Pantry Packers at work.

Community Updates

SPEND NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH WITH CCS GRANTEES

April is National Volunteer Month! If you're looking for something to do with your time, here's a list of Columbia Community Service (CCS) grantee organizations working to combat hunger, support youth development, and provide social services that need help with everything from meal preparation at soup kitchens, to administrative work in offices, to event setup and breakdown.

Just a few of the opportunities available:

- America SCORES New York needs volunteers to help run their Game Days on Wednesdays and Fridays, including set up, break down, refereeing, serving snacks, and more.
- New York Common Pantry needs volunteers to help organize, pack, and distribute food on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.
- Riverside Language Program is seeking volunteers to have 90-minute conversations with English Language Learners to help them improve fluency.
- Wendy Hilliard Gymnastics Foundation needs volunteers to help with office work, such as scanning and archiving photos on weekday mornings or afternoons.

Find more volunteer opportunities at neighbors.columbia.edu/volunteermmonth.

GET FREE HELP FILING YOUR TAXES THIS APRIL



With Free File programs from the IRS and New York State, and free assistance from local organizations, tax season is no reason to break a sweat. Before Tax Day on Monday, April 18, check your eligibility for the federal and state Free File programs through the IRS and New York State Department of Taxation and Finance websites.

If you want help filing your taxes, there are resources available for free in NYC for some ages groups and income levels. The New York Public Library works with several organizations to provide free in-person and virtual tax assistance for seniors and people who made less than \$60,000 in 2021.

Get more details at neighbors.columbia.edu/freefile.

Community Events

Check with event organizers for the latest updates, find more events at neighbors.columbia.edu/events



Beyond the Bars: Movement Building in a World on Fire

April 9, 2022
November 2022, New York City
April 9, 10:00 AM
The conference brings together movements for decarceration, abolition, and climate justice to share strategies and build solidarity and power.

neighbors.columbia.edu/btb2022



Toni Morrison Reads 'Othello'

April 12, 6:00 PM
Shakespearean scholars Jean Howard and Kim F. Hall discuss Morrison's re-imagining of the tragedy, which centers Desdemona.

neighbors.columbia.edu/othello



Congressman Adriano Espaillat's Annual Virtual Career Fair

April 20 & 21, 10:00 AM
With employers in healthcare, education,

retail, government, and more, this career fair has everything that both applicants and companies need.

neighbors.columbia.edu/careerfair



Such Sweet Thunder: A Concert Dance

April 21, 7:00 PM
Celebrate Such Sweet Thunder with this campus-community

performance at The Forum, featuring world-renowned dancer LaTasha Barnes.

neighbors.columbia.edu/SSTdance



Bridging the Digital Divide Through Play

April 28, 4:00 PM
Dennis Morgan, creator of Harlem CoLab, argues that

play is key for learners as they master technological tools and vital skills in this economy.

neighbors.columbia.edu/allgames



A'Lelia Bundles Community Scholars Application Deadline

April 29
Bundles scholars receive three years of access to Columbia resources, such as course auditing and library collections to work on a specific project or goal.

neighbors.columbia.edu/scholarsapp